

United Christian Church, Yakima WA



Growing in Faith, Living in Hope, Serving with Love.

**JUN
2024**

From the Pastor's Desk :

Greetings, beloved church,

As the month of June unfolds before us, I am reminded of the powerful message of going beyond our comfort that Jesus demonstrated in the Gospel of Luke. In Luke 5:4, we read about the moment when Jesus called upon Simon (Peter) to "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch." Simon, astounded by the miraculous catch of fish that followed, if we are willing to go into the deep.

This passage beautifully illustrates the transformative power of radical hospitality – the kind of hospitality that goes beyond mere politeness or routine gestures of welcome. Radical hospitality is about opening our hearts, minds, and doors to the unexpected, embracing opportunities for connection with others, even when it feels uncomfortable or challenging. It is about being willing to step out of our comfort zones, into the deep waters of faith and compassion, trusting that God's grace will guide us.

Just as Jesus called Simon to cast his nets into the deep waters, we too are called to venture beyond the familiar shores of our lives and reach out to those who may seem different or distant from us. Radical hospitality requires us to set aside our preconceived notions and fears, and instead, extend a hand of friendship and understanding to all whom we encounter.

Services : Sundays at 10am

Bible Study : 8:30am on Sundays

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From the Pastor's Desk (cont) :

In our modern world, where divisions and barriers often seem insurmountable, the message of radical hospitality is more relevant than ever. It challenges us to break down walls of prejudice and judgment, to see each person as a beloved child of God deserving of love and respect. It invites us to create welcoming spaces where all are embraced and valued for who they are, regardless of their background or circumstances.

As we reflect on the example set by Jesus in Luke 5:4, let us consider how we can embody radical hospitality in our own lives and in our community. How can we extend a warm welcome to those who are marginalized or in need? How can we listen with an open heart to those whose voices are often silenced? How can we create a more inclusive and compassionate environment for all who seek solace and support?

In this season of growth and renewal, may we be inspired by the words of Jesus to Simon: "Do not be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." Let us cast our nets wide, embracing the diversity of God's creation with love and grace. Let us welcome the stranger, the outcast, and the marginalized into the fold of our community, offering them a place of belonging and acceptance.

As we journey together in faith and fellowship, may we always remember the profound impact of radical hospitality in shaping our relationships and our witness to the world. May we be known as a community that extends grace and kindness to all, embodying the love of Christ in every interaction and every gesture of welcome.

May the spirit of radical hospitality dwell among us, guiding us to reach out with open arms and open hearts to all who seek refuge and solace. May we be like the fishermen in Luke 5:4, ready to step out in faith and trust that God's abundance will overflow as we welcome all into the embrace of our community.

May God bless us with the courage and compassion to practice radical hospitality in our lives, now and always.

Grace and peace,

Pastor Steve

Calendar Highlights :

Jun 1st (Sat) : 9am Workday and Finance Board Meeting

Jun 8th (Sat) : Fishing Day and BBQ Potluck (at Clear Lake)

Jun 22nd (Sat) : Neighborhood Yard Sale (8a-3p)

Jun 29th (Sat) : 9am Book Club

Committee Reports :

Activities Committee:

Hello all it's June and it time to go fishing! **Join us at the Clear Lake day site on June 8th at 8am.** We will barbecue hamburgers and hot dogs. Please bring a side dish. There will be lots of laughter. Even if you don't fish you can enjoy the time together.

In June, our Book Club will be discussing "[Black Bear Alibi : A Rockfish Island Mystery](#)" by J.C. Fuller. She will (hopefully) be in attendance to discuss her book with readers! **Join us on June 29th at 9am!**

Hands-on Mission:

Thank you to all who donated to Camp Hope in honor of women for the month of May. Your donations were delivered and greatly appreciated!

For the month of June, we will be collecting items for men in the honor of "Fathers day" and delivering them to the Veterans in our community. We will have a list of the items that are needed to support them.

We will also be hosting a "**Neighborhood Yard Sale**" on our property **on June 22 from 8am-3pm.**

If you (or someone you know) have items to sell - simply bring out a table and join us! There is no charge to sell or attend. The event is intended to be a time to sell your stuff and visit with others.

If you have any questions about the yard sale, you can call 509-902-9369 or 509-248-0875.

Thank you again for your support of our ministry to the community!

Monthly Scriptures :

June 2nd, 2024 : Second Sunday After Pentecost

- 1 Samuel [3:1-10, \(11-20\)](#)
- Psalm 139 [1-6, 13-18](#)
- 2 Corinthians [4:5-12](#)
- Mark [2:23-3:6](#)

June 9th, 2024 : Third Sunday After Pentecost

- 1 Samuel [8:4-11, \(12-15\), 16-20, \(11:14-15\)](#)
- Psalm [138](#)
- 2 Corinthians [4:13-5:1](#)
- Mark [3:20-35](#)

June 16th, 2024 : Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

- 1 Samuel [15:34 – 16:13](#)
- Psalm [20](#)
- 2 Corinthians [5:6-10, \(11-13\), 14-17](#)
- Mark [4:26-34](#)

June 23rd, 2024 : Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

- 1 Samuel [17:\(1a, 4-11, 19-23\), 32-49](#) and Psalm 9 [9-20](#)
- Or -
- 1 Samuel [17:57-18:5, 18:10-16](#) and Psalm [133](#)
- 2 Corinthians [6:1-13](#)
- Mark [4:35-41](#)

June 30th, 2024 : Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

- 2 Samuel [1:1, 17-27](#)
- Psalm [130](#)
- 2 Corinthians [8:7-15](#)
- Mark [5:21-43](#)

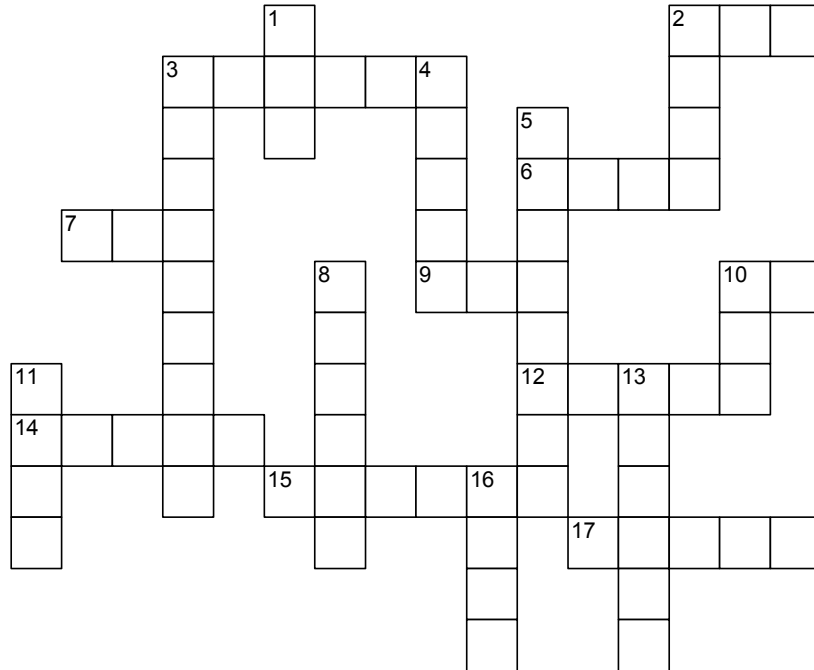


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CAIN AND ABEL
Genesis 4:1-16



Across

- 2 If we do not do what is right, _____ wants to take over your life. (Genesis 4:7)
 3 Abel took care of _____. (Genesis 4:2)
 6 Second of Adam and Eve (Genesis 4:2)
 7 Did God accept Abel's offering of the firstborn of his flocks? (Genesis 4:4)
 9 Cain left the Lord's presence and lived in the land of _____. (Genesis 4:16)
 10 Did God accept Cain's offering of crops from the ground? (Genesis 4:3-5)
 12 God told Cain if you do what is _____, your offering would have been accepted. (Genesis 4:7)
 14 Cain was _____ when God did not accept his offering. (Genesis 4:5)
 15 The Lord asked Cain, "Where is Abel?" Cain responded, "Am I my brother's _____?" (Genesis 4:9)
 17 God told Cain that since he killed his brother, He will be under a _____. (Genesis 4:11)

Down

- 1 Who knew that Cain killed Abel? (Genesis 4:9-10)
 2 Cain worked the _____ for the fruits of the land. (Genesis 4:3)
 3 Abel offered the _____ of his flocks for the offering to the Lord. (Genesis 4:4)
 4 God told Cain that if anyone kills him as he wanders the earth, that person will suffer vengeance _____ times over. (Genesis 4:17)
 5 Since Cain killed his brother, he would be a _____. (Genesis 4:14)
 8 While they were out in the field, Cain _____ Abel. (Genesis 4:8)
 10 God told Cain that since he killed his brother, the ground will _____ yield its crop for you. (Genesis 4:12)
 11 First son of Adam and Eve (Genesis 4:1)
 13 The Lord told Cain that Abel's blood cries out from the _____. (Genesis 4:10)
 16 The land of Nod was _____ of Eden. (Genesis 4:16)

Isaac is born.

Genesis 15:1-6; 17:1-8; 18:1-15; 21:1-7





Thoughts and Prayers

We humbly pray for those caught in the midst of conflict and strife. May your love and peace surround them, offering solace and guidance during these challenging times. Grant them strength, courage, and the wisdom to seek peaceful resolutions. Let your compassion and understanding fill their hearts, and may they find a path towards reconciliation and harmony.

Submit a Prayer Online! uccyakima.org/prayer

We encourage members to give as they feel led.

Your contributions enable us to continue our mission of service and love within our community and beyond. **Every donation, big or small, helps in nurturing the seeds of faith, hope, and togetherness.**

Whether it's supporting our local food banks, contributing to the maintenance of our sacred space, or funding community outreach programs, your generosity is the cornerstone of our growth and outreach.

Donate Online!



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>June is Pride Month</p>						<p>1</p> <p>9a: Work Day and Finance Board</p>
<p>2</p> <p>Second Sunday After Pentecost</p> <p>8:30a: Bible Study 10a : Service</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Youth Group (5:30p-6:30p)</p>	<p>5</p> <p>5:30p: Bible Study (Brown Bag)</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>8a : Fishing BBQ Potluck @ Clear Lake</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Third Sunday After Pentecost</p> <p>8:30a: Bible Study 10a : Service</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Youth Group (5:30p-6:30p)</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>
<p>16</p> <p>Fourth Sunday After Pentecost</p> <p>8:30a: Bible Study 10a : Service</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Juneteenth (Holiday)</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Neighborhood Yard Sale (8a-3p)</p>
<p>23</p> <p>Fifth Sunday After Pentecost</p> <p>8:30a: Bible Study 10a : Service</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Book Club : 9a</p>
<p>30</p> <p>Sixth Sunday After Pentecost</p> <p>8:30a: Bible Study 10a : Service</p>						<p>Every 1st Saturday - Work Day</p>